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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Special Activities, DD/S&amp;T

SUBJECT : OSP Use of OSA Support Activities

1. As you are probably all too well aware, OSA provides OSP with total communications support including data links involved in our satellite activities. Additionally, your Finance Staff handles the invoicing of our contracts, normal accounting associated with them, and the processing of our various financial vouchers. Your Travel Branch provides us with all of our travel support, and your Materiel Branch handles the airlift associated with the movement of equipment from our contractors and take from return missions. Your computer facilities also are called to task in our behalf. There are undoubtedly other miscellaneous efforts which your good offices perform for our benefit which I fail to call to mind at the moment.

2. The support and response in all these activities have been most helpful and most timely; for this we are extremely grateful and appreciative. With the advent of the new programs on which this Office has now received approval, we will undoubtedly cause major perturbations in expanding our requirements and need for additional services. While one may argue that OSP has reached a point in life where it should go it alone to obtain and maintain its own support activities, there is unquestionably greater economies which can be realized by our continuing to lean on OSA for such services. The impact of our request will demand that your T/O be increased to accommodate our needs. While we appreciably will not expand our communications network, the volume of traffic will increase at our present contractors.

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I call this to your attention in order that your Communications Staff may coordinate with the appropriate people in the Office of Communications to determine whether or not provision has been made to handle this traffic at the Washington end. I am not privy to the extent to which we are taxing your Finance Branch, but that should also be taken into consideration.

3. I am calling this all to your mind in order that your Office may make necessary plans budgetwise and peoplewise to satisfy the situation. We would be most happy to provide you with whatever additional information your people may need in order to adequately understand where we think we will be and what support we will require in the years ahead.

/s/ John N. McMahon

JOHN N. McMAHON  
Acting Director  
Office of Special Projects

cc: EO/DD/S&T

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